

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take tremendous pride in the accomplishments of Show-Me State school districts which have demonstrated an exceptional level of student achievement; and

Whereas, the Kirkwood School District in St. Louis County will be recognized for "Distinction in Performance" by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education at a Recognition Dinner at the Junior League of St. Louis on Thursday, March 14, 2002, hosted by the St. Louis Regional Professional Development Center and Cooperating School Districts; and

Whereas, one of few St. Louis area school districts to be given well-deserved accolades by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Kirkwood School District is composed of more than five thousand students and nearly four hundred certificated staff divided between five elementary schools, two middle schools, and one high school; and

Whereas, the Distinction in Performance Award recognizes school districts with high or improved performance based upon Annual Performance Report (APR) information; and

Whereas, criteria for this prestigious Department of Elementary and Secondary Education recognition is for K-12 districts to meet eleven of twelve possible Performance Indicators, K-8 districts to meet five of six possible Performance Indicators, and all districts to meet every MAP Performance Standard; and

Whereas, the Kirkwood School District has earned special distinction among Missouri school districts for the astute vision of its leaders, the stellar knowledge and skills of its teachers, and the forthright commitment of its students and their families:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the impressive programming and superior attainments embodied by the Kirkwood School District and to convey this legislative body's heartiest congratulations to all of the District's administrators, teachers, students, and parents upon its selection for special recognition for "Distinction in Performance" by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution to honor the accomplishments of the Kirkwood School District in the St. Louis metropolitan area.

Offered by _____
Representative Richard G. Byrd
District No. 94

Representative Kathlyn Fares
District No. 91

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 276, adopted February 11, 2002.

Jim Kreider, Speaker

